10th March 1953]

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" The hon. Member may put a separate question."

Representations from some Councillors of Tiruchirappalli Municipality regarding the Municipal Budget.

* 17 *Q.*—SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any complaints have been received by the Government from some of the Municipal Councillors of Tiruchirappalli Municipality regarding the irregularities in passing the Municipal Budget;

(*b*) if so, what were the irregularities pointed out; and

(*c*) what action has been taken on the complaint?

THE HON. SRI N. SANKARA REDDI :—" (*a*) The reply is in the negative.

" (*b*) & (*c*) Do not arise."

Alleged starvation death in Perambalur taluk.

* 18 *Q.*—SRI K. R. VISWANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that one Ramaswami Vinodhi of Velvimangalam, Perambalur taluk, Tiruchirappalli district, died of starvation on 10th November 1952; and

(*b*) if so, what steps the Government took to prevent such starvation deaths?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :— " (*a*) No.

" (*b*) The Collector is closely watching the situation and will take the necessary measures."

SRI K. R. VISWANATHAN :—" May I know what then is the cause of death? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" It is seen from the Collector's report that the said person was hale and healthy on the day of his death. (Laughter). So the presumption is that he would have died of natural causes and not due to starvation."

SRI T. NAGI REDDI :—" ఈ వ్యక్తి చనిపోయినాడు అనేటటువంటి రిపోర్టు ఎవరిద్వారా వచ్చింది; ఆ రిపోర్టు వచ్చిన తర్వాత ఎవరు, ఏవిధంగా ఎంక్వయిరీ చేశారు; ఈ సందర్భములో, వివిధ వ్యక్తులు వ్రాతమూలకముగా యిచ్చినటువంటి విషయాలన్నింటిని యీ శాసనసభ టేబిల్ మీద పెట్టుతారా? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :— " There was a detailed enquiry by the Revenue officials including the Tahsildar. As is seen from the reports received, the person seems to have been all right in the